## **01-130 Department of Veterans Affairs**

The mission of the Department of Veterans Affairs is to aid all residents of the State of Louisiana who served in the military forces of the United States during any war, combat, campaign, or any special periods of service during peacetime, along with their dependents and beneficiaries, to receive any and all benefits to which they may be entitled under the laws of the United States or the states thereof.

The goal of the Department of Veterans Affairs is to ensure that Louisiana's veterans, dependents, or survivors of veterans receive all benefits, and the best available services which they are entitled.

## **BUDGET SUMMARY**

	ACTUAL	ACT 11	EXISTING	CONTINUATION	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER)
	1999 - 2000	2000 - 2001	2000 - 2001	2001 - 2002	2001 - 2002	EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$2,726,360	\$2,585,521	\$2,679,333	\$3,034,640	\$2,842,213	\$162,880
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	475,217	457,454	457,454	523,570	516,000	58,546
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	147,218	207,800	207,800	178,298	178,017	(29,783)
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$3,348,795	\$3,250,775	\$3,344,587	\$3,736,508	\$3,536,230	\$191,643
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administrative	\$1,013,216	\$970,195	\$970,195	\$1,061,769	\$1,051,829	\$81,634
Claims	333,779	327,864	358,517	388,071	380,648	22,131
Contact Assistance	1,854,582	1,744,916	1,808,075	2,108,370	1,925,736	117,661
State Approval Agency Program	147,218	207,800	207,800	178,298	178,017	(29,783)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$3,348,795	\$3,250,775	\$3,344,587	\$3,736,508	\$3,536,230	\$191,643
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	80	71	75	75	70	(5)
Unclassified	1	1	1	1	1	0
TOTAL	81	72	76	76	71	(5)

This agency's recommended appropriation does not include any funds for short-term debt.

In addition to the above recommended appropriation, \$229,569 will be paid in Fiscal Year 2001-2002 for long-term debt incurred on behalf of this agency from the previous sale of bonds. Total long-term debt service payments for the state for Fiscal Year 2001-2002 are reflected in the Governor's Executive Budget Supporting Document in Non-Appropriated Requirements, Schedule 22-922.

This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$120,343
State General Fund by: Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	40,115
Total	\$160,458